

TEST 2 MARKING GUIDE

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1. CO3: Explain the cash flow characteristics of the following exotic options: Asian, barrier, compound, gap, and exchange.

- (a) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] Let $x(t)$ be the value of €1 in terms of US dollars at time t . You are given that:

- The continuously compounded risk-free rate in US is 6.6%.
- Under the risk-neutral measure, the stochastic differential equation of x is

$$dx(t) = 0.025x(t)dt + 0.12d\tilde{Z}(t), \quad x(0) = 0.9$$

where $\tilde{Z}(t)$ is a standard Brownian motion under the risk-neutral measure.

- A call option that gives the option holder the right to pay \$0.02 six months from today to buy a call option that gives the the right to buy €1 using \$0.95 one year from now is costs \$0.0224.

Calculate the price of a put option that gives the option holder the right to sell at \$0.02 six months from today a call that gives the right to buy €1 using \$0.95 one year from now. [0.0113](#) (6 marks)

- (b) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] A British company will receive \$1,000,000 at the end of 6 month. To hedge its currency risk, it buys an option allowing to exchange dollars for pounds at a rate of £0.64/\$. You are given:

- The spot exchange rate is £0.65/\$.
- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate for dollars is 0.06.
- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate for pounds is 0.04.
- The volatility of the exchange rate between the two currencies is 0.1.
- The Black-Scholes framework is assumed to apply to the currency rate.

Calculate the cost in pounds of the hedge. [15860.00](#) (7 marks)

- (c) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] Assume the Black-Scholes framework. Consider two nondividend-paying stocks whose time- t prices are denoted by $S_1(t)$ and $S_2(t)$, respectively. You are given:

- $S_1(0) = 50$ and $S_2(0) = 100.0$.
- Stock 1's volatility is 0.16.
- Stock 2's volatility is 0.28.
- The correlation between the continuously compounded returns of the two stocks is -0.4 .
- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 6.5%.
- A one-year European option with payoff $\max\{85.0 - \min[2.0S_1(1), S_2(1)], 0\}$ has a current (time-0) price of -1.3433.

Consider a European option that gives its holder the right to buy either 2.0 shares of Stock 1 or one share of Stock 2 at a price of 85.0 one year from now. Calculate the current (time-0) price of this option. [3.95](#) (7 marks)

- (d) [Show your workings. If no workings are shown, ZERO is awarded] Let $S(t)$ denote the price at time t of a stock. Consider a 10-month European gap option. If the stock price after 10-month is less than 28, the payoff is $28.5 - S\left(\frac{10}{12}\right)$; otherwise, the payoff is zero. You are given:

- $S(0) = 30$.
- The stock will pay a dividend of amount 3 after 5-months. This is the only dividend that will be paid before the gap option expires.
- The prepaid forward price of the stock follows a geometric Brownian motion with a volatility of 25%.
- The continuously compounded risk-free rate of interest is 9%.

Calculate the price of the gap option.

(15 marks)

Ans.

$$F_{0,10/12}^P(S) = 30 - 3e^{-0.09(5/12)} = 27.1104$$

$$F_{0,10/12}^P(K_2) = 28e^{-0.09(10/12)} = 25.9768$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(27.1104/25.9768) + (0.25^2/2)(10/12)}{0.25\sqrt{10/12}} = 0.3013$$

$$d_2 = 0.3013 - 0.25\sqrt{10/12} = 0.0731$$

$$N(d_1) = N(0.3) = 0.6179; N(d_2) = N(0.0731) = 0.5279$$

The price of the gap put option is

$$\begin{aligned} & F_{0,10/12}^P(K_1)N(-d_2) - F_{0,10/12}^P(S)N(-d_1) \\ &= 28.5e^{-0.09(10/12)}(1 - 0.5279) - 27.1104(1 - 0.6179) \\ &= \boxed{2.1238} \end{aligned}$$

- (e) [Show your workings. If no workings are shown, ZERO is awarded] Assume the Black-Scholes framework for a stock whose time- t price is $S(t)$. You are given:

- $S(0) = 75$
- S pays dividends of amount $0.037S(t)dt$ between time- t and time $t + dt$.
- $V[\ln S(t)] = 0.0961t$
- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 0.099.

Compute the price of $\min(S(0.4), 80)$ that mature at time 0.4.

(15 marks)

Ans.

Note that $\min(S(0.4), 80.0) = S(0.4) - [S(0.4) - 80, 0]_+$, then the price of $\min(S(0.4), 80.0)$ is $F_{t,T}^P(S) - c[75, 80.0]$

$$V[\ln S(t)] = \sigma^2 t = 0.0961t \rightarrow \sigma = 0.31$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(75)/(80) + (0.099 - 0.037 + \frac{1}{2}0.31^2)(0.4)}{0.31\sqrt{0.4}} = -0.1047$$

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} = -0.3007$$

$$N(d_1) = N(-0.1) = 0.4602; N(d_2) = N(-0.3) = 0.3821;$$

$$c(S(0), 80.0, 0.4) = 75e^{-0.037(0.4)}(0.4602) - 80.0e^{0.099(0.4)}(0.3821) = 4.626778$$

$$\text{The price is } 75e^{-0.037(0.4)} + c[75, 80.0] = 75e^{-0.037(0.4)} - 4.626778 = \boxed{69.2714}$$

2. CO2: Demonstrate the calculation and the use of option price partial derivatives

- (a) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] Let $S(t)$ be the time- t price of a nondividend paying stock. You are given that $S(t)$ follows the stochastic differential equation

$$dS(t) = 0.1S(t)dt + 0.25d\tilde{Z}(t), S(0) = 2,$$

where $\tilde{Z}(t)$ is a standard Brownian motion under the risk-neutral measure.

A market maker has just written a contingent claim that pays the $S^3(3)$ after 3 years. He then immediately delta-hedge his position by trading stocks and cash(W). Calculate W. [-51.18](#) (6 marks)

- (b) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] Let $S(t)$ be time- t price of a nondividend-paying stock and $P(S(t), t)$ be the time- t price of a 0.5-year at the money European put option written on the stock, when the time- t stock price is $S(t)$. You are given that

- $S(0) = 62$.
- The true stock price process is

$$dS(t) = 0.12S(t)dt + 0.24S(t)dZ(t)$$

where $Z(t)$ is a standard Brownian motion under the true measure.

- The true stochastic process satisfied by the put option is

$$dP(S(t), t) = a(S(t), t)dt + b(S(t), t)dZ(t)$$

for some a and b .

- $r = 0.064$.

Calculate $a(62, 0)$. [-1.1598](#)

(7 marks)

- (c) [Fill in the blank with correct answer] Consider a European call option on a stock following the Black-Scholes framework. The option expires in one year. Using the Black-Scholes formula for this option, you obtain:

$$N(d_1) = 0.6628 \quad N(d_2) = 0.3372.$$

Calculate the volatility of the option. [1.71](#)

(7 marks)

- (d) [Show your workings. If no workings are shown, ZERO is awarded] For a 1-year European call option on a stock:

- The strike price is 73.
- The stock's current price is 79.
- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 0.08.
- The stock pays a dividend of 5 every 3 months, starting immediately after the call option is written. The dividend at the end of one year is paid before the option may be exercised.
- The annual volatility of a prepaid forward on the stock is 0.35.
- The stock follows the Black-Scholes framework.

Calculate the price of the option.

(15 marks)

Ans.

$$F_{t,T}^P(S) = 79 - 5(1 + e^{-0.25(0.08)} + e^{-0.5(0.08)} + e^{-0.75(0.08)} + e^{-0.08}) = 54.9707$$

$$F_{t,T}^P(K) = Ke^{-rt} = 73e^{-0.08(1.0)} = 67.3875$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln[F_{t,T}^P(S)/F_{t,T}^P(K)] + \sigma^2/2(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} = \frac{\ln[54.9707/67.3875] + 0.35^2/2(1.0)}{0.35\sqrt{1.0}} = -0.41$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln[F_{t,T}^P(S)/F_{t,T}^P(K)] - \sigma^2/2(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} = \frac{\ln[54.9707/67.3875] - 0.35^2/2(1.0)}{0.35\sqrt{1.0}} = -0.76$$

$$N(d_1) = N(-0.41) = 0.3409$$

$$N(d_2) = N(-0.76) = 0.2236$$

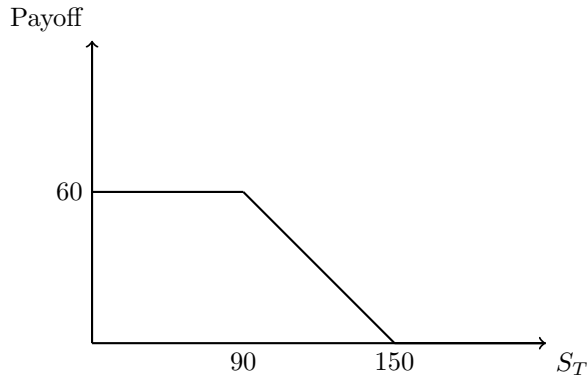
$$c(S(t), K, t) = F_{t,T}^P(S)N(d_1) - F_{t,T}^P(K)N(d_2) -$$

$$\begin{aligned}
c(S(1.0), 73, 1.0) &= 54.9707N(-0.41) - 67.3875N(-0.76) \\
&= 54.9707(0.3409) - 67.3875(0.2236) \\
&= \boxed{3.6717}
\end{aligned}$$

- (e) [Show your workings. If no workings are shown, ZERO is awarded] For a stock whose time- t price is $S(t)$, you are given:

$$S(0) = 90 \quad \delta = 2.1\% \quad \sigma = 30\% \quad r = 8.4\%$$

Consider a contingent claim that has the following payoff function at time 4:



Calculate the time-0 price of the contingent claim.

(15 marks)

Ans.

The payoff of the contingent claim is equivalent to longing 1.0-150-strike put and shorting 1.0-90-strike put.

$$d_1(90) = \frac{\ln(90/90) + [0.084 - 0.021 + \frac{1}{2}(0.3^2)](4)}{0.3\sqrt{4}} = 0.72; N(-d_1(90)) = N(-0.72) = 1 - 0.7642 = 0.2358$$

$$d_2(90) = d_1(90) - \sigma\sqrt{t} = 0.72 - 0.3\sqrt{4} = 0.12; N(-d_2(90)) = N(-0.12) = 1 - 0.5478 = 0.4522$$

$$d_1(150) = \frac{\ln(90/150) + [0.084 - 0.021 + \frac{1}{2}(0.3^2)](4)}{0.3\sqrt{4}} = -0.13; N(-d_1(150)) = N(- -0.13) = 1 - 0.4483 = 0.5517$$

$$d_2(150) = d_1(150) - \sigma\sqrt{t} = -0.13 - 0.3\sqrt{4} = -0.73; N(-d_2(150)) = N(- -0.73) = 1 - 0.2327 = 0.7673$$

$$p(90, 90) = 90e^{-0.084(4)}N(-d_2(90)) - 90e^{-0.021(4)}N(-d_1(90)) = 9.5716$$

$$p(90, 150) = 150e^{-0.084(4)}N(-d_2(150)) - 90e^{-0.021(4)}N(-d_1(150)) = 36.597$$

$$\text{The time-0 price of the contingent claim} = 1.0(36.597) - 1.0(9.5716) = \boxed{27.0254}$$